

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY WASHINGTON, D.C.

Issued by the Department of Transportation on May 5, 1999

NOTICE OF ACTION TAKEN -- DOCKET OST-98-4331

This serves as notice to the public of the action described below, taken by the Department official indicated (no additional confirming order will be issued in this matter).

Applicant: **Air Tahiti Nui** Date Filed: April 30, 1999

Relief requested: Amend existing exemption authority to permit Air Tahiti Nui to engage in charter foreign air transportation of persons, property and mail in accordance with Part 212 of the Department's rules.¹

If renewal, date and citation of last action: New authority Applicant representative: Thomas J. Whalen (202) 289-0500

Responsive pleadings: None filed (On May 5, 1999, Air Tahiti Nui notified the Department that it had polled all interested parties served with its application and received "non-objections" to grant of the requested authority.)

DISPOSITION

Action: Approved Action date: May 5, 1999

Effective dates of authority granted: May 5, 1999-October 13, 2000 (coextensive with the authority granted Air Tahiti Nui on October 13, 1998, in the present docket, OST-98-4331)

Basis for approval (bilateral agreement/reciprocity): 1998 Air Transport Agreement between the United States and France

Except to the extent exempted/waived, this authority is subject to the terms, conditions, and limitations indicated:

X Standard exemption conditions (attached)

Special conditions/Partial grant/Denial basis/Remarks:

Action taken by: Paul L. Gretch, Director

Office of International Aviation

Under authority assigned by the Department in its regulations, 14 CFR Part 385, we found that (1) the applicant was qualified to perform the proposed operations; (2) immediate action was required and was consistent with Department policy; (3) grant of the authority was consistent with the public interest; and (4) grant of the authority would not constitute a major regulatory action under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act of 1975. To the extent not granted/deferred/dismissed, we denied all requests in the referenced Docket. We may amend, modify, or revoke the authority granted in this Notice at any time without hearing at our discretion.

Persons entitled to petition the Department for review of the action set forth in this Notice under the Department's regulations, 14 CFR § 385.30, may file their petitions within ten (10) days after the date of issuance of this Notice. This action was effective when taken, and the filing of a petition for review will not alter such effectiveness.

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¹ On October 13, 1998, we granted Air Tahiti Nui initial exemption authority in the present docket (OST-98-4331) to engage in scheduled foreign air transportation of persons, property and mail between Papeete, Tahiti (French Polynesia), and Los Angeles, California.